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THE NEXT CHARITY FESTIVAL.

THE Royal Masonic Institution for Girls has been fortunate enough to secure the services of the new Provincial Grand Master of Buckinghamshire, the Rt. Hon. the Lord Carrington, as Chairman for the one hundred and third Anniversary Festival of the Institution, and the 12th of May has been fixed for the celebration, which, let us hope, will prove so far successful as to allow of the work of the Charity being continued for the year without anxiety on the part of those responsible for its inner working.

Unfortunately there is at present a comparatively small Board of Stewards, and although the brethren of the Chairman's Province may be relied on for enthusiastic support of his presidency, theirs is but a small district, numbering only twelve Lodges, from which of course it is not possible to secure anything like the total contributed—for instance, by the Kentish brethren, when their Provincial chief presided at the Festival of the Benevolent Institution in February last. Let us hope, however, that other districts of England will come forward and loyally support the Buckinghamshire Masons in the good work, so that from one source and another the coming Festival may be productive of a substantial amount of contributions, amply sufficient for the requirements of the year.

We think it would be well to make a feature of enlisting the sympathy of old Colonial Masons in the coming celebration. There must be a very large number of influential Craftsmen around us who, directly or indirectly, have been associated with Lord Carrington in his term of office as Governor of New South Wales, and some others who knew the President of the year as Grand Master of Freemasons in that Colony. Some of them would doubtless like to show their appreciation of his Lordship's labours in the antipodes if an opportunity presented itself for them to do so. Here is the opportunity; let those associated with the colonies vie with the Masons of Lord Carrington's home Province and enter into friendly rivalry with each other as to who shall do the most in securing success for this early Masonic work of Lord Carrington on his return home. In the one case it will be an expression of gratitude for favours received, in the other for favours to come, for Lord Carrington is as yet virtually unknown in the Masonic district over which he will in future rule.

It is quite unnecessary for us to tell our readers that the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls is in need of subscriptions, or that it well deserves the sympathetic support of the English Craft. So much has been reported of late in regard to the progress of this Charity that the whole country must be aware of the additional accommodation provided, and the consequent increased calls on the resources. The new Alexandra Hall has been completed, and its full benefits are now available for the pupils, who must

already feel the advantage of the accommodation and comfort it provides, but these additions can hardly be described as self supporting, and a small additional outlay must be expected in connection with the improvements, so that the Craft must not close their pockets in answer to the appeals of to-day, or of the future, because they did much on behalf of the Institution in the past. The Freemasons of England have a splendid Charity to point to in the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, and we doubt not they will faithfully perform their share of the work of maintaining it so far as lies in their power. This they can do at the present by giving in their names or their contributions as supporters of the coming Festival, which once more we hope will prove a great success, and a pleasing compliment to its Chairman—Lord Carrington, as a mark of appreciation of his services in the far off corner of Greater Britain from which he has just returned.

NEXT WEEK'S ELECTIONS.

THE ballot papers for the two elections for the Educational Institutions, to be held next week, give evidence of very different prospects for the respective candidates. In the one case, that of the Girls, there are but 25 applicants with 19 vacancies, while in the case of the Boys there are no less than 45 approved candidates, with 28 to be admitted, a gross total of 70 candidates for 47 vacancies.

There is thus a very good proportion of prizes to be secured for the children seeking the scholarships provided by the Craft, and we congratulate the friends of the several candidates on the prospect before them, which goes far to prove that the charitable funds of the Order are, if not actually able to cope with the whole of the distress in its midst, at least in a position to provide for a large proportion of those put forward for the benefits of the two Schools.

In the case of the Girls' School, with 19 to be elected from a list of 25, there is naturally a strong feeling that all should be admitted without ballot rather than so few as 6 should be left over for the next election. Of course it would be very gratifying if the Craft could admit all these children without an election, but any increase at the present time would be injudicious, besides which it is creating a bad precedent to extend the number of children on the funds of the Institution, simply because there happens to be just now a large number of vacancies, with, so to speak, a light list of applicants. We cannot advise the admission of all the candidates without going to a poll, but we think a compromise might be agreeable to the supporters of the Charity. Let the nineteen highest on the poll be admitted in the ordinary course, and the other six as vacancies arise, as they naturally will during the next few weeks, we should then have a clear sheet to commence with for the October election, and the Institution would have the gratification of knowing it had once again taken under its care every approved candidate on its books. Surely this is a grand result to point to, and when it can be achieved without seriously interfering with the routine of

the Institution it should be worth consideration. It would be a splendid feature to make capital of at the coming Festival, to show that in anticipation of the continued support of the Craft every candidate had been provided for, and that for the future there was a reasonable prospect of meeting claims as they arose.

With so few to be left out after the polling of Thursday next, there is not much need to analyse the list of candidates for the Girls' School. Naturally additional anxiety must be felt on account of the eight children who now made their last application, and two others which seem to call for special notice are Nos. 10 and 17, each of whom is parentless. We hope these may be elected, as also the most deserving of the other candidates, but we also hope that our proposal to admit all as vacancies arise will be considered and ultimately adopted.

In the case of the Boys' School, the competition will be very different; but here also it is gratifying to find considerably more than half the candidates can be admitted. There are five last applications, No. 2, H. J. Drewitt; No. 4, W. R. Binks; No. 19, N. M. Bolsover; No. 28, C. M. Hitchcock; and No. 33, R. A. Bourdeaux. Of these, the first three have not at present secured much support, their record being 18, 200, and 16 votes brought forward respectively. The lad Hitchcock is much better off in this respect; he has a record of 1872 votes from the last contest, while the other is a first application case.

Three of the other new cases are parentless children, No. 36, Metcalfe, being one of a family of seven; No. 37, Heath one of four; and No. 44, Phipps, one of two left to the care of friends. It would seem specially needful that help should be accorded these poor orphans, although as we have often pointed out, there may be others on the list even more deserving of aid. Still, it seems no harder lot could be found for a family of young children than to be left parentless, with no proper provision for their maintenance, education and fair start in life, and if the Masonic Order can only take these three candidates under its care at the coming election it will, without a doubt, have added one other to its already long list of favours conferred on the growing generation. We regret that so many must go away from the Boys' election next Friday short of the privileges they seek, but let us hope that in each and every unsuccessful case there will be a possibility of further trial, with the ultimate reward of success.

BOYS' SCHOOL MANAGEMENT.

THE PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE AND THEIR CENSORS.

IT is with something akin to "bated breath and whispering humbleness" that we venture to notice the article under this heading in last week's number of a contemporary. Fierce and unmeasured as were the denunciations hurled at the preceding administration of the School, it is now regarded as little less than hardihood and ingratitude to criticise inquiringly, or to draw attention, however mildly, to statements of accounts set forth as unquestioned facts and purporting to bear the imprimatur of a "Chartered Accountant," verified by a "Finance Committee"—the accuracy of which is vaunted in contrast to those published under the sanction of the old "Audit Committee." It is difficult to gather who, or which, is to be held in the main responsible for the Balance-sheet and Accounts of the year 1890—the "Chartered Accountant" or the "Finance Committee." Which of the twain is it—whether the dog wags the tail, or the tail wags the dog! There was no doubt on this point under the old system, and whatever cavil could be made against the manner in which the accounts were then presented, there has never been substantiated any allegation against the matter as regards accuracy. This "accuracy," be it remembered, was more than vindicated by the result of an unprecedented examination of eighteen months' accounts—already audited and vouched for—by a "Chartered Accountant and his staff," who vainly sought for, but could not discover, error, malversation or wrong, and found themselves compelled to certify to that effect. "Milk" may have its ludicrous surroundings and associations, but an erroneous account is equally erroneous, whether associated with lacteal matter or any other item of more or less important expenditure, and we

shall not be deterred from drawing attention to discrepancies, or to point out attempts at misrepresentation from any fear of "ridicule," which may probably more closely be allied with those who, from their assumed lofty standpoint, feel themselves justified in charging us with "temerity" in discharging what we conceive to be a duty. We are not "partisans" in any sense—we are lovers of fair play.

We may have occasion to recur to this and cognate matters in connection with the Institution, not omitting the improvement claimed in the Educational Department, and in the general demeanour, &c. of the boys. On these subjects, so closely dependent on a Head-Master and his staff, reference is invited to the Report of the "Committee of Investigation."

Bro. James Terry P.G.S.B., Secretary Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution, will rehearse the ceremonies of consecration and installation in the Hornsey Lodge of Instruction, No. 890, on Thursday, the 16th inst., at 7 p.m., at the Masonic Rooms, White Hart Hotel, High Street, Lewisham, S.E. Brethren are to attend in morning dress with Craft clothing. A large attendance of the Craft is anticipated, and the occasion is likely to prove of great interest.

From latest advices we are able to report that Bro. John Lane, of Torquay, is rapidly improving. The dangerous symptoms have left, and Bro. Lane's doctor anticipates that a few days more will see our good friend at his post again.

Early next month the Provincial Grand Master of Cheshire (Lord Egerton of Tatton) will consecrate the Avondale Lodge, No. 2389, at the Town Hall, Middlewich. This will make the number of Lodges in Cheshire 44. The first W.M. of the new Lodge will be Bro. John Plant, Bros. R. S. Cross S.W., and Peter Hancock J.W. His lordship will be assisted by Bros. Sir Horatio Lloyd D.D.M., James Salmon P.G.S.W., J. Clayton P.G.J.W., and other Provincial Grand Officers.

On Tuesday, 24th ult., Bro. J. B. Groom was installed as Worshipful Master of the Robinson Mark Lodge, No. 255. The interesting ceremony was admirably performed by Bro. F. W. Wright P.M. P.P.G.J.W. Secretary. His delivery of the various charges was worthy of the best traditions of the Order.

At the Masonic Hall, Driffield, on Wednesday afternoon, Bro. C. Gray P.P.G.S.B. (Bridlington) was installed W.M. of the Drifelt Mark Lodge, 291, by Colonel R. G. Smith Deputy Prov. Grand Master, after which the following were invested as Officers:—Bros. W. Highmoor I.P.M., J. Rennard S.W., Jos. Kirby J.W., J. Moore M.O., Overend S.O., J. Elgey P.M. Treasurer, Potts P.P.G.S.B. Secretary, Jno. Dunn P.M. P.P.G.St.B. Dir. of Cers., R. Featherston Tyler.

The Medway Lodge of Freemasons have arranged for a ball in aid of the Masonic Charities, to be held at the Public Hall, Maidstone, on the 14th inst. The affair is under the immediate patronage of the Prov. Grand Master and Deputy Prov. Grand Master of Kent. Masonic clothing will be worn, and the band of the Royal Engineers is engaged.

Bro. James Stevens was appointed to deliver a second portion of his lecture on the Ritual and Ceremonial of Symbolic Freemasonry last evening, in the Priory Lodge of Instruction, No. 1000, at Southend-on-Sea. A report will appear in our next issue.

Mount Sinai Lodge (Penzance) find their Lodge-room too small. Directly over it is the more spacious museum of the Penzance Natural History and Antiquarian Society. The Lodge desires an exchange of apartments with the Society, offering to defray the cost. The council of the latter, seeing that the Lodge-room and an ante-chamber are as well lighted and have as much wall space as the present museum, consent to the change on certain conditions, one of which is a payment of £5, presumably to open a central window in the Lodge-room, which is now blocked, and is part of the background of the W.M.'s chair.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ROYAL MASONIC INSTITUTION FOR BOYS.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—In your criticisms of the work of the new Committee of Management, you apparently base your deductions upon the false premise that the sole duty imposed upon them was to reduce the average cost per boy per year, and you appear to argue that if they have failed in that one point they are a failure indeed. The real fact, however is, that the Committee of Management were elected to carry out the recommendations of the Committee of Inquiry, who found that the expenditure of the Institution was extravagant, not properly regulated, and that the feeding and clothing of the boys was not satisfactory, nor was their health and comfort properly attended to; to obviate which it was recommended (amongst other things) that:

The questions of sufficient playgrounds and proper appliances for health and cleanliness of the pupils require immediate attention.

Now, if the Committee have successfully carried out this recommendation, even at a cost of £2,111, they have simply stood firm and done their duty. The primary responsibility imposed upon them was to secure for the boys that which the Craft intended them to have, viz., a healthy home, cleanliness, comfort, a sound education, good moral training, with effective supervision in health or sickness. It was never intended that economy should be secured by the sacrifice of any of these points. The health and education of the boys was to be the first study of the Committee, and it was then incumbent upon them to take care that those benefits were secured at the lowest possible cost per head. The boys are now well provided for in every way; well fed, well housed, properly bathed, and under careful medical supervision; whereas the Committee of Inquiry found one and all these matters defective under the old regime. The pupils are not now sent to their homes (as I saw one more than once) carrying filthy contagion and suffering from neglected festering sores. With respect to educational results, it is only necessary to point out that in the year under the notice of the Committee of Inquiry, out of 258 boys only 12 passed the Cambridge Local Examinations, whilst last year 23 boys passed out of 264.

But, on the question of average cost, the results are eminently satisfactory, for it is futile for you to say that "Improvements are on a par with Repairs and Renewals." The £2,111 has been spent in additions, which were absolutely needed for the health and safety of the residents; if the utility of these additional Baths, &c., had exhausted itself last year, then the cost would rightly fall on that one year, but as a matter of fact these improvements will be valuable accessories to the Institution for at least many years, and therefore the item is undoubtedly an expenditure on "Capital Account," because the freehold is so much the more valuable for the particular purpose for which it is required. Moreover, the Committee have spent in the year (outside this £2,111) £111 10s 10d on Repairs and Renewals, which it is fair to assume was all that was needed to keep the property in good order. As compared with 1887 (the year noticed by the Committee of Inquiry) the result is as under:

	£	s	d
1887—Average cost per boy	50	16	0
1890—Expenditure	10,821	19	2
Pensions	106	4	0
Organ	72	0	0
10 per cent interest and depreciation on	£2,111	16s	7d
201	4	0	
Total for 264 boys	£11,201	7	2
Average cost per boy	42	8	7
Reduced cost per boy	£8	7	5

Thus every boy has cost £8 7s 5d less than under the old dispensation, whilst he has had better attention, physically and educationally. Surely every well-wisher of the Institution owes a debt of gratitude to the Committee of Inquiry who pointed out the improvements needed, and to the Committee of Management who have brought about such excellent results.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

E. V. GREATBATCH.

To the Editor of the FREEMASON'S CHRONICLE.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—Referring to the articles in your issues of the 21st and 28th March, and to the letter of "AN OLD READER OF THE CHRONICLE" which appeared in the latter issue, allow me to point out that it is absolutely false that the Provisional Management Committee "when they issued their accounts for the last half of 1889 professed to have reduced the expenditure per boy from £50 16s 0d to £39 5s 0d per annum" or to any other sum, or that they made an "empty" or any other "boast" that they had "reduced the expenditure by about 23 per cent." or any other rate of per centage, or that they circulated "unfortunate," or other "reports" to that effect. The Committee have hitherto purposely abstained from publishing any comparison of cost per boy with that of former years, being too keenly impressed by the difficulties and expense attached to the labour of relieving the Institution from liabilities of existing contracts to indulge in the hope that they could, in so short a period, be able to effect any substantial reduction in such cost. Nevertheless it is a fact that the accounts published of the expendi-

ture of this Committee during 18 months ending 31st December 1890, prove as they have claimed "a successful financial result," and "will bear a very favourable comparison with past years." Comparisons have been made by you between the 1887 and the 1890 accounts, but in the face of your first article, and after a week's consideration, coupled with the aid of "AN OLD READER," you admit that you "see an apparent improvement all round."

Possibly it may be as well if you would also compare the 1888 accounts with those of 1890,—the last complete year of the old management, and the first complete year of the new, then you may after another week be enabled to discover still further improvement "all round." Allow me to draw your attention to the fact that the total general expenditure for 1888 with 263 boys was £12,361 13s 3d (after making allowance for pensions), whereas the total general expenditure for 1890 with 264 boys (with all outstanding liabilities included, which was not the case with the expenditure of 1888) was £10,821 19s 2d, or, adopting your formula, £47 per head per annum under the old management, as against £40 19s 10d, under what you are so polite to refer to as the "new brooms." The Committee have not "ignored" the £2,186 16s 7d spent in 1890 on "Improvements." This sum in any trading concern would properly have been chargeable against capital, but the Committee did not consider it right to increase the capital expenditure, and consequently directed the amount to be treated as an extraordinary outlay. This outlay was one of the many legacies left the Committee by the old management, and it would be manifestly incorrect to include any part thereof in the total general expenditure for the year.

Your "OLD READER" has fallen into an error in failing to distinguish the difference between a Balance Sheet and an Income and Expenditure Account, he admits he is not an adept in accountancy, therefore his error is pardonable, but that you should, with your experience, have committed the same blunder, by accepting his erroneous figures as accurate, is surprising. The total general expenditure for 1890, viz., £10,821 19s 2d includes, as before stated, liabilities of sundry creditors, amounting to £1,999 18s 2d, yet it is contended by the "OLD READER" that this amount, after deducting some other amount, must be added to another quantity. Comment is superfluous!

In conclusion, permit me to say that the Craft believe that the Committee have "satisfactorily discharged the work required of them," this is apparent in the fact that at the present moment the unprecedented number of 580 Stewards have signified their intention of making the coming Festival such a phenomenal financial success which no amount of envy or misrepresentation can possibly mar. Come over, and help us!

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

JOHN GLASS, V.P.

NEW MASONIC HALL AT WALLSEND.

ON Wednesday, the foundation stone of the new Masonic Hall, Station Road, Wallsend, was laid by the Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master of Northumberland, Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., M.P. The headquarters of the Tyne Lodge, 991, at Wellington Quay, have for some time past been found inadequate to meet the increasing demands made upon it, and the advisability of possessing larger and more imposing premises was readily assented to by all interested. The building has been designed by Mr. Wm. Hope, architect, of North Shields, in the Renaissance style of architecture. It faces Station Road with a bold gable of red brick and stone dressings, and has a turret over. The whole of the ground floor has been planned for the occupation of Messrs. Hodgkin, Barnett, Pease, Spence, and Co., bankers, and the Wallsend Local Board. The premises to be occupied by the Local Board consist of a handsome Board room, about 26 feet long, 17 feet wide, and 15 feet high, with public offices and cloak rooms adjoining, all being entered from High Street. The upper floor will be entirely devoted to Masonic uses, and consists of a Lodge room 38 feet by 26 feet, and about 21 feet high, and refreshment and ante rooms. Mr. W. T. Weir, of Howdon, is the contractor. At the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone there was a large gathering both of members of the various Lodges and the general public. Sir Matthew White Ridley was met at the Café Hall, which is in close proximity, by the Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and a procession was formed to the new building. Amongst those present were:—Col. Addison Potter, C.B., P.G. Superintendent of Arch Masonry and P.G.D., Bros. Geo. Blair W.M., R. Carr P.S.G.W., G. Turnbull P.M. P.P.G. Secretary, Corder P.Reg. Acting Deputy Secretary, G. H. Heslop P.G. Standard Bearer, George Allen P.M. P.P.G.D., W. Gladstone P.M. P.P.G.S., J. W. Lambton P.P.S.B., Rev. T. B. Nichols Grand Chaplain, J. Calvert P.P.G. Supt. of Works, Cowen W.M. 431, G. D. Gilhepsy P.M. P.G.S., Hope, W. Wear, W. Harker W.M. 24, Hammond W.M. St. Peter's Lodge, Arthur Scott I.P.M. St. Nicholas. The stone having been formally raised, the Grand Master delivered the usual address, invoking the blessing of the Great Architect of the Universe on the work in which they were engaged. The Rev. T. B. Nichols having offered up prayer, Bro. Corder read the inscription on the stone, which was as follows: "The foundation stone of this Masonic Hall was laid on the 1st of April 1891, by the R.W. Provincial Grand Master of Northumberland, Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., M.P., Blagdon." The Grand Treasurer Bro. G. A. Allan then deposited in a cavity under the stone a bottle containing three Newcastle newspapers, a history of the Lodge, and the current coins of the realm. The Worshipful Master of the Tyne Lodge, Bro. G. Blair, next presented a silver trowel to the Grand Master, with which he formally declared the stone to be truly laid. Prayer having been offered by the Grand Chaplain, the ceremony concluded. Subsequently a dinner was held in the Café, over which the Grand Master Sir Matthew White Ridley presided.

MALEVOLENT UTTERANCES REBUKED.

An Extract from the Allocation of Illustrious Bro. Albert Pike, Sovereign Grand Commander, to the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, at Washington, 20th October 1890.

WHERE are malevolent utterances sometimes in high places which go out to the world with the sanction of high authority, endorsed by one or the other Masonic Powers, which are important enough to deserve notice. The last printed Transactions of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania give circulation to such an utterance. In the report of the committee on Correspondence contained in it, mention is made of the proceedings of a special communication of the Grand Lodge of the district of Columbia, convened to lay the corner-stone of the Cathedral to be erected by the brethren of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and upon this the chairman of the Committee proceeds to comment. So far as his carping, seasoned by the salt of Attic wit, refined and delicate, is aimed at me, it is nought to me. But as his plain purpose is defamation of our Rite and aspersion of our motives, and he speaks in Pennsylvania as one having authority, as the Papinian among Masonic juriconsults, and Gamaliel among the Rabbis, and his censure is an appeal to the nonsense of the flock of his fold, intended to promote prejudice and suspicion; and as what he has said has gone to the world dignified by the sanction and supposed approval of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, I reply to his comments here in my place as Grand Commander.

He professes to be "fortunately ignorant of what the purpose of a Cathedral for this rite may be;" but proceeds to quote from the address which, as a Master Mason, I made to the Grand Lodge and Master Masons there present.

The paragraph quoted by him is that in which I said that it was proper that the corner-stone of the house to be builded there should be laid by the Grand Master, because in it were "regularly to assemble lodges of the Ancient Craft of Freemasonry, as well as bodies of the other degrees of later origin." Nobody gifted with ordinary common sense could mistake the meaning of these words, and nobody did misunderstand them. The building was to be erected by and belong to the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; but in some of its rooms certain Blue Lodges were to meet. Other parts of it were to be for the occupation of the bodies of the Scottish Rite, the degrees whereof are of later origin than the Craft Degrees. But upon this plain statement which I have quoted and which I made that Masons everywhere might understand that it was proper for the Grand Lodge to lay the corner-stone, the distinguished writer, orator and statesman thus inconsequentially and frivolously expatiates.

We are as much in the dark as heretofore. What "Lodges of the Ancient Craft of Freemasonry" have in common with "Bodies of the other Degrees of later origin," we do not comprehend. The words include any association called secret, either Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Red Men, or any of the hundred ephemeral gatherings "of later origin" which say they have Degrees. Surely this "Cathedral" is a name assumed for the pretentious effort to elevate it to a dignity.

"To elevate" what to a dignity? "Cathedral a name for an effort to elevate it to a dignity?" The criticism is like "the crackling of thorns under a pot;" it provokes grave suspicion of insincerity; and the English of the last sentence is barbarous. He proceeds to say:

Freemasonry has its own Temple for its home, where only the Symbolic Degrees which circumscribe all that is Masonry, are confined.

He fancies, I suppose, that this sentence clearly expresses the opinion that a Blue Lodge cannot meet and work anywhere, lawfully, but in a "Temple" of the Symbolic Masonry. What it does express is not easy to say. It is not plain English, "as we were taught." It is meant that "only the Symbolic degrees are 'confined' in the Temple" or that "they are 'confined' only there"? Is it a 'function' of the Symbolic degrees to 'circumscribe' all that is Masonry?"

"No Bodies," he adds, "of other Degrees of later origin, can have co-partnership with Ancient Freemasonry in any Cathedral.

Why not, if bodies of other degrees, the Scottish Rite Degrees not excepted, can rent and occupy, and confer

their degrees in the stately "Temple of Freemasonry" in Philadelphia, and the Royal Order of Scotland be permitted to pay thirty dollars for two or three hours' use of one of its rooms? Is that not as much a "co-partnership" as the renting of rooms by Blue Lodges in a Scottish Rite building? In some places the "Temple" is the property, jointly, of Lodges, Chapters of Royal Arch, Commanderies of Templars, and bodies of the Scottish Rite; and the Symbolic Masonry continues uncontaminated, is not made unclean by the "co-partnership." Perhaps there is no such joint ownership of the "Temple" in Philadelphia.

Once, some fifty years ago, when war was flagrant between the Grand Orient of France and the Supreme Council of France, the former, upon taking possession of a hall that had been used by the latter, purified it by sprinklings and otherwise. Perhaps in Philadelphia the hall, which would otherwise have become unsanctified, retains its sanctity by virtue of the rent paid for it. I have seen restaurants and bars where alcoholic liquors were dispensed on the ground-floors of "Temples" of the Symbolic Masonry. The services of religion are not forbidden to be held elsewhere than in churches. When one thinks of it, it is rather amusing, in this age of the world, to hear men claim for one of many Orders a sanctitude of which it is exclusive possessor, and which forbids its associating with any of the others, especially when, if it did not have its origin in England in ale houses and inns, these were for many years its "Temples" and "Sanctuaries." Ever since then, Lodges and Grand Lodges have often enough inhabited rented rooms and houses.

All that this brother says revolves round a single point, "The Symbolic Degrees circumscribe all Masonry."

My address, he says, "implies that in the 'bodies known by other names' Freemasonry can be taught by precept and example, equally with the Symbolic Degrees of Ancient Free and Accepted Masonry." His uncouth phraseology tortures the ear and excruciates the nerves. I suppose that he means by the last phrase "as well," as fully, or as legitimately, as by the Symbolic Degrees. The address does not "imply" this. It distinctly claims that the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite is a Masonic Rite, and distinctly says that Freemasonry is taught in its own Scottish Rite Bodies, by precept and example. Is there any objection to teaching it anywhere, "by precept and example"? It is taught more fully, and its symbols are more correctly explained, in our bodies than it ever was taught, or they explained, in any Blue Lodge in the world. What does a man learn in a Blue Lodge after he receives the degrees?

The Pennsylvania Masonry was, during the long first portion of its life, the "Ancient" or "Dermott" Masonry, and it tolerated no other. It excommunicated the Masonry revived in 1717, that of the much-boasted-of first Lodge in the United States. By its own admission, part of our degrees are Masonic, for the Dermott Masonry borrowed them in France, imported them into England, and worked them in its Lodges: and the Symbolic Masonry generally has, for a hundred and thirty years, recognised first, the Rite of Perfection, and then the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, as Masonic.

But this learned brother cries aloud, "We do not agree to any such doctrine. We fear that in this 'Cathedral' error and schism will soon have a place . . . We think we read between the lines of his speech a latent spirit" ['read a latent spirit' is exquisite] "of assault on the eternal fundamental principles of Freemasonry, if so be that 'bodies of the other degrees of later origin' may demand equal rights, powers, and privileges with Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masonry. We thus write, now and here, to warn the Masonic fraternity against what we regard as an insidious attack on our ancient and honourable fraternity."

The paragraph which he reads between the lines is this:

No human institution lives long without changes in its organic structure, in the processes of its action, in its forms and methods, and even in its principles once regarded as essential and unchangeable. The restless activity of humanity makes stability impossible. From the common lot of all, Freemasonry is not exempt; but, in the main, it has stood upon the old ways and thence made progress. The constitutions of civil government and political organisations, whether written, or broadened from precedent to precedent, change more in a score of years than Masonry has changed in a century. For the most part it has adhered to the spirit, if not altogether to the letter, of the old Charges and Regulations—too much, perhaps, in some things, in which it might be better if the letter of the old law governed less, and its spirit more.

Malice writes with invisible ink between the lines what was never in the mind of the writer of the lines, and to impute which to him is a libel. Then it breathes upon its writings, and the words become visible and legible—to itself—and so it reads them between the lines.

Does not Masonry in some things adhere too closely and bigotedly to the old law of Operative Masonry? A single example will give sufficient answer. In many of our State jurisdictions it will refuse its degrees to a man, every way worthy, because of the tip of one of his thumbs having been cut off.

Has it not changed? When were its present lectures made? And in how much do they resemble those of 1723? Have the Grand Masters lost none of the prerogatives that the first Grand Masters had? What rights of Apprentices and Fellows do these now possess? Was not the English Freemasonry once strictly Trinitarian?

This skilful reader between the lines may with profit to himself meditate upon this maxim of the son of Sirach: "Blame not before thou hast examined the truth. Understand, and then rebuke. Answer not before thou hast heard the cause. Strive not in a matter that concerneth thee not."

Let the hen not cluck too often, to call her chicks to cover, when no hawk is hovering near.

There is a more pregnant lesson of the same old writer, that a gentleman should not need to have repeated to him: "Rehearse not unto another that which is told to thee, and thou shalt fare never the worse."

What I am about to quote and comment upon, I do not notice because it alludes to me, but because I could not have done what I am said to have threatened to do, unless I had the power to do it under our Constitutions and laws, and to make it the act of the Supreme Council, and commit the whole Brotherhood to it. And I was never quite silly enough to threaten to do what I had neither right nor power to do.

A Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, at its last or a recent session, said this in the Committee's Report:

What we are about to say is not evidence, and may be it was wholly untrue; but we recall it in order that it may be denied. During the service of George Frank Gouley as Grand Commander of the Knights Templars of Missouri, it was current talk that Bro. Pike threatened, in case Bro. Gouley took any steps to enforce among the Templars of Missouri his alleged opinion that it was inconsistent with a Templar's fealty to his vows to participate in the conferring of the Rose Croix Degree in the Scottish Rite, he (Bro. Pike) would establish Blue Lodges in Missouri.

This, the reader between the lines, in support, I suppose, of his reading, copied into and published as part of his report. I had never seen it until I read it there, and have never seen it anywhere else.

I suppose that he, also, "recalled it that it might be denied." I admire his delicate and refined sense of honour. I suppose it may, for the same generous purpose, continue to be "recalled," time without end, by every scribbler.

I never knew that there was any such "current talk." Until I read the Pennsylvania report I was profoundly ignorant that any human being had ever originated or repeated the preposterous lie. I never threatened, either in that controversy of twenty-three years ago, or ever, that I would establish a Blue Lodge in Missouri or anywhere else. Human credulity is equal to any demand that knavery may make upon it, and always honours the drafts; and it is possible that the brace of "recallers of a falsehood, in order that it may be denied," believed that the supposed "current talk" was true; but if neither of them did, he would have been none the less ready, I fancy, to "recall it in order that it might be denied." It is a cleanly and chivalrous occupation.

The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite has neither inducement nor inclination nor power to work any manner of harm to the Symbolic Masonry. It is a decent, decorous, unostentatious Rite, which attends very punctually to its own business, and prospers thereby. There is no conflict of interests between itself and that Masonry. It receives no one into its household who is not a member of a Blue Lodge; and requires of its initiates always to do their duty as Blue Masons, and to vow that they will not vote to admit any one who does not do it.

It instructs those to whom its doors open and who enter in, and abide with it, in the principles of Symbolic Masonry, develops its morality into a nobler and loftier

code, expounds its great religious symbols, and so proves to them that it is of a higher and more intellectual nature, and has larger right to the consideration and appreciation of men and precedence amongst all the Orders, than they had known while they were Master Masons only. They are made to know that no one who has pretended to disclose the mysteries of Freemasonry has ever even lifted a corner of the veil that conceals its real ones; for these were never known to themselves.

But if the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite had its heart set upon harming and humiliating the Ancient Craft Masonry, moved to it by an inextinguishable hatred; if the inducement to do so of profit to be reaped were strong; if it were endowed with all the powers, means and resources to that end, of the Roman Papacy; and if, putting all these to use, it should never for an instant lose sight of its object, nor relax its efforts to attain it, it could not, nor can the Papacy itself, with all its unscrupulousness, malignity and craft, so greatly, so permanently, so irreparably injure the Ancient Craft in Pennsylvania and Illinois as these two promoters of Masonic opinion have done.

"Exitium damnunq; ferentes."

Thanks to their pestilent and persistent labours, a wall unscaleable, impenetrable as adamant, though invisible, a wall of non-intercourse, of excommunication and of interdict has been built up between the Pennsylvanian and Illinoisian Mason and all the Masons of all the Latin countries of the world.

The Church of Rome could have no more efficient allies.

They have taught their Grand Lodges and the Masonic people of their States to believe that every Grand Orient and every Supreme Council in the world, which governs Blue Lodges, is "clandestine": that every Blue Lodge created by or of the obedience of either is "clandestine": that if in any country such Lodges assume entire independence, with or without the consent of the governing Grand Orient or Supreme Council, and form a Grand Lodge, it is "clandestine," because they are. And having thus disposed of the supposed Freemasonry of all the Latin countries of Europe, and that of Mexico and the Republics of Central and South America, one and all, I learn from the *South Australian Freemason*, through the *London Freemason*, that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania holds that no Body is entitled to be recognised as a Grand Lodge, unless it holds jurisdiction over every Lodge in its district: and accordingly it does not recognise the Grand Lodge of South Australia. The decree of illegitimation must include the Grand Lodges of New South Wales, New Zealand and Quebec.

Whether the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania has been followed by the Grand Lodge of Illinois in this last ruling, I do not know: but it marches abreast with it in demolishing Grand Orients and Supreme Councils.

To have the right to claim relationship of brotherhood with the great and good men who have died, to have the right to think and speak of them as "our own dead," is a high privilege and a precious estate. It is even more so, it seems to me, when they were of other lands and spoke other tongues than ours. For the Great Dead of our own land who were Masons are no more "our own Dead" than they are the Dead of all the "Children of Wisdom" in the world. Their glories are not reflected upon us alone. Their memories are not in our exclusive keeping. The Worthies of the Order, dying, devise to it their memories, their honours, their glories, in which all the brethren everywhere are equal shareholders. Do not the Freemasons of other lands repeat with pride that Washington was a Freemason? Once the Masons of Pennsylvania and Illinois could so speak of the illustrious Masons of the Latin countries of the world, whose lives and deeds had magnified and whose names had glorified Freemasonry; and many of whom suffered martyrdom for being Freemasons,—surely a price amply sufficient to give them good title to the name "Freemason." Then, these were all acknowledged as genuine Freemasons by the whole body of English, Irish, Scottish, and American Freemasonry, all over the world. Living, they were its lamps of light: dead, they are "the very own Dead" of all the Freemasons dispersed over the surface of the earth, saving only Illinois and Pennsylvania. The stars that look down upon the lands of Europe are not strangers to our own skies. But now, for all the Masons of those States, these holy Dead are nought. They were "clandestine" pseudo-Masons,

relegated en masse, by Brothers Vaux and Robbins, to the Limbo of Profanity.

If the paganism of the old Greeks and Romans were of eternal verity, and in the Fortunate Isles or elsewhere the Elysian Fields were homes of enjoyment for the souls of the good and true and virtuous, and still are so, and of these fields one Campus Opimus is set apart for the exclusive occupancy of Freemasons, these great shades inhabit it, consociated with all the illustrious Dead of the English-speaking Freemasonry.

If, when Pennsylvania and Illinois shall be desolated by the demise of Brothers Vaux and Robbins, and these great immortals now become "Umbræ tenues simulacraque," having paid their oboli to the churlish Ferryman, shall have reached the Campus felix Latomorum, how will it be possible for them to abide there, having Masonic intercourse with the crowned and laurelled Shades of the great Freemasons of the Latin races?

Perforce, they must refuse communion with them, and proclaiming them "clandestine," also refuse to hold Masonic intercourse with all their consociates of other races, who, with them

"In communion sweet,
Quaff immortality and joy;"

for is it not said that "He that toucheth pitch shall be defiled therewith;"—and, "One is known by the company he keeps?"

How will our American newcomers there escape contamination and defilement? Will they withdraw and seek more congenial associates in another field? Will they institute legal proceedings before the Orcinian tribunal, where the dead plead their causes before the Judges, Minos, Æacus and Rhadamanthus, praying that as unlicensed trespassers these prior occupants may be ejected and desterrados? The court would dismiss the suit with great indignation, confirming the right and title of the ancient tenants, and condemning the pragmatists to wander eternally, forlorn outcasts self-exiled, about the black marshes of the livid Styx.

These Latin Freemasons were all governed as Blue Masons by the Grand Orients or Supreme Councils. I could name hundreds of them,—for they were very many. Other names worthy to be remembered are forgotten,—these, for example, of the six Masters, of Granada in Spain, who, being members of a Lodge there, were arrested while initiating a candidate, and for disobeying the edict of Ferdinand VII., and the prohibition of the Holy Inquisition, were with scant ceremony hung, and the candidate condemned to the galleys for twelve years.

To the memories of these Worthies of the Latin Freemasonry we will pay homage; for, thank God! they are of our Dead.

Even the imperfect Roll of Honour which I have prepared of that Freemasonry is too long to be read here, and will be printed after this Allocution, as part of it.

I am glad to have been provoked to the too long delayed performance of this duty of pious commemoration of the illustrious and heroic Dead.

Quot in æthere sidera lucent.
Tot illorum nostrorum Manes Heroum.

The ancestors of our race, or their kindred in the land of the Five Rivers, believed that the souls of those who in their lives had deserved immortality ascended to the sky, when liberated by death, and each became the intellect of a star. The radiant spirits of its illustrious Dead are the bright stars that in its firmament glorify Freemasonry. A great host of these has been cast down into the limbo of vanity from the Masonic skies of Pennsylvania and Illinois. It is as if the Angel of the Apocalypse had torn from the tortured heavens over-arching the disinherited and afflicted earth the great stars of Orion, with Al Debaran and Regulus; Arcturus and the Pleiades; Castor and Deneb; Altair and Procyon; Capella and Vega; Antares and the larger part of the seven Arcti, hitherto inseparable; and half the chief stars of every other constellation, with the morning and the evening star; while, for all the rest of the world,

"Clara luce corusca
Scintillant sidera, nec sparso lumine lampas
Enitait cælo;"

with all the constellations unmutated, and the sky undishonoured.—*Voice of Masonry.*

DEATH.

BARFIELD.—On 30th March, SARAH, the beloved Wife of ASHER BARFIELD, of 26 Georges Street, London, W., and Maytings House, near Farnham, Hants,

MARK MASONRY.

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ELECTRIC LODGE, No. 39.

THE annual festival took place on the 23rd ult., at the Freemasons' Hall, West Hartlepool, when Bro. Lamb the W.M. elect was installed by Bro. Stonehouse P.M. Amongst the brethren present were Bros. Braithwaite, Staveley, Sinclair, Tate, Braybrook, Simpson, &c. The Officers invested for the ensuing year are—Bros. Metcalf I.P.M., Olsen S.W., Taylor J.W., Walker M.O., Barlow S.O., Abbey J.O., Farmer Registrar, Mark Secretary, Hudson Treasurer, Lane D.C., Foxton S.D., Smith J.D., Hurworth Organist, Boddy I.G., Wooley and Stevenson Stewards. At the close of the ceremony a banquet was served at the Royal Hotel.

THE THEATRES, &c.

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Terry's.—One of the most diverting pieces of Mr. Edward Terry's modern repertoire is Mr. Piner's farcical comedy "The Rooket," which vividly recalls the glories of the Gaiety Theatre under John Hollingshead's management. The Chevalier Walkinshaw, with his constant cry "Oh! what a mess I'm in," is by no means an impossible character. A thorough impostor, who deceives and cheats everybody who will listen to him, comes at last to his *mauvais quatre d'heure*, when his punishment is so great that the spectator cannot help pitying him, though at the same time feeling that his condition is well deserved. It is a character that affords no end of changes, as the poor Chevalier encounters one after another of his numerous victims, and one that shows the comedian's power to the best possible advantage. Associated with Mr. Terry, who is, of course, the life and soul of the piece, are Miss Eleanore Leyston, Miss Sophie Larkin as Lady Hammersmith, Miss Adrienne Dairrolles, Mr. H. V. Esmond as a specimen of English nobility up to date, Mr. Jan Robertson, and a new comer, Mr. Phillip Cunningham, who makes a good début. All work with a will, and the farce is rattled off in capital style, and concludes in excellent time.

Criterion.—The long talked of revival of "The School for Scandal" was produced this week, with a certain amount of success, but its resuscitation will hardly tend to make us forget even the recent representations of this brilliant comedy. The principal interest centred in Mrs. Bernard Beere as Lady Teazle, who has evidently given much study to the character, and performs her part with considerable energy and grace. Her quarrel scene with Sir Peter was capitally given, but the famous Screen scene fell very flat. Her costumes are both beautiful and elegant, and it is but just to say that she was greeted throughout with cordial applause. Mr. George Giddens gives a slightly new rendering of the character of Careless, and scores highly. Mr. S. Valentine (Moses), Mr. H. H. Vincent, Mr. Cyril Maude and Mr. Blakeley gave careful expositions of their respective characters, but Miss M. A. Victor is hardly well placed as Mrs. Candour. Miss Mary Moore played effectively as Maria. Mr. A. Bouchier should entirely re-read the part of Joseph Surface, his present rendering of the character cannot be justified by the text. It is a relief to turn to the Sir Peter Teazle of Mr. Wm. Farren, who played the old fop with an earnestness that caused him to stand out boldly from his immediate associates. Mr. Charles Wyndham also gave great satisfaction as Charles Surface, his cheery spirits and unflagging energy helping the play on at awkward moments. As we are inclined to believe that the various actors will greatly improve their respective parts in a short time, we shall pay another visit next week and make a further report, for certainly the careful attention that Mr. Wyndham has bestowed upon the revival deserves a better result than was obtained on Wednesday.

An interesting event in the Masonic year in South London is the one announced to take place at the Peckham Public Hall on 10th inst., viz., the annual ball in connection with the Selwyn Lodge, No. 1901. The Lodge from its consecration has been highly appreciated among Masons, and is always quoted as one of the best organised in the locality, and as possessing some of the most distinguished men among its brethren. I am told that the "working" and the propounding of the ritual cannot be excelled. The Past Masters of the Lodge are all assisting at this ball, and the list of Stewards should be amply sufficient to ensure a big and satisfactory result. All profits will go to the Masonic Charities. The Lodge is naturally proud of its present able and perfect Wor. Master. He is gifted with the happy possession of those qualities which endear him to all with whom he comes in contact, and has not an enemy in the world. Bro. Walter Davies is an architect, and one of no mean order. He is already a past member of the Council of the Society of Architects, and is a life member of the Arts Society. He is capable of designing and ably carrying out anything, from a cottage to a cathedral. He is not superstitious, and though he can look at the new moon through glass, he like the Ingoldsby Bird, does not seem "one penny the worse."—*S. London Press.*

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A QUARTERLY GENERAL COURT of the Governors and Subscribers of this Institution will be held in the Hall of Freemasons' Tavern, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, on Thursday, 9th April 1891, at twelve o'clock precisely, on the General business of the Institution, and to elect 19 girls into the School from a list of 25 approved candidates. The election will commence at one o'clock, or after the usual business is over.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

OFFICE—5 Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, London, W.C.
2nd April 1891.

APRIL ELECTION, 1891.—FIRST APPLICATION.

The Votes and Interest of the Governors and Subscribers of the

Royal Masonic Institution for Boys

are earnestly solicited on behalf of

HENRY THOMAS YOUENS,

(AGED 7 YEARS.)

The Father, Bro. HENRY YOUENS, was initiated in 1878, in the West Middlesex Lodge, No. 1612, and subscribed thereto for five years, during which period—being then in prosperous circumstances—he joined the Ewell Lodge, No. 1851, in which he served all the offices, and filled the Master's Chair. He is a Life-Governor of the R.M.I. Boys, and R.M. Benevolent Institution. In consequence of heavy losses in business, and severe domestic affliction, his position became greatly altered, and he is now filling a situation at a very small salary, this being the only means he has of supporting himself, his wife, and four children.

There are very painful circumstances connected with this case which render it well worthy of support, and it is strongly recommended by the following Brethren:—

EDWARD J. ACWORTH, P.M. and Treasurer No. 1612, P.M. 2077, and W.M. 2265, Homeleigh, Hamilton Road, Ealing, W.
BENJAMIN E. BLASBY, P.M. 780, Mortlake House, Kew, S.W.
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Proxies will be received by any of the above Brethren, or by Bro. YOUENS, 191 Latimer Road, W.

Royal Masonic Institution for Boys, ELECTION, APRIL 1891.

The votes of subscribers are earnestly solicited for

HAROLD STREETER GOLDSMITH,

AGED 8½ YEARS,

YOUNGEST SON OF THE LATE BRO. W. O. GOLDSMITH.

Bro. GOLDSMITH was initiated in the Chislehurst Lodge, No. 1531, shortly after its consecration in 1875, and remained a subscribing member till 1881, when he joined the Gallery Lodge, No. 1923. In this latter Lodge he served all the offices up to that of W.M. It was while holding this office, and three days after the election of his successor, that he died, on the 15th November 1887. He was a Life Governor of the Boys' School, and a Subscriber to all the Masonic Charities, and was, at all times, a hard worker in Masonry. He was for many years, and at the time of his death, a member of the Reporting Staff of the *Press Association*, and in that capacity was well known to all Journalists in the United Kingdom. The under-mentioned Brethren strongly recommend the case of his son, the above-named candidate:—

Bro. CHARLES KEDGLEY, Hibernia Chambers, London Bridge, S.E., W. M. P.M. 1614, M.E.Z. 73.
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Bro. W. J. INNES, 1928, 219 South Lambeth Road, S.W.
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Bro. R. STACEY, P.M. and P.Z. 180, 434 Brixton Road, S.W.

Any of the above Brethren will thankfully receive votes, or they may be sent to Mrs. GOLDSMITH, 71 Manor Road, Brockley, S.E.

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Brethren willing to act as Stewards on the above important occasion are urgently needed, and will greatly oblige by sending in their names as early as convenient.

F. R. W. HEDGES, Secretary.

OFFICE—5 Freemasons' Hall, Great Queen Street, W.C.

P.S.—As the Chairman of the Festival is Past Grand Master of New South Wales, the Committee will be delighted to welcome all subscribing New South Wales Brethren, not only at the Institution on the Prize Day, Monday, 11th May, but also at the Festival.

APRIL ELECTION, 1891.

The Votes and Interest of the Governors and Subscribers of the

Royal Masonic Institution for Girls

are earnestly solicited on behalf of

EDITH GRACE WILSON,

(AGED 8 YEARS.)

Daughter of the late Brother Henry R. L. Wilson, who was initiated in April 1877, in the Lodge of Temperance, No. 169, and continued a Member until his death, in October 1886, in the forty-second year of his age. He was a subscriber to the Benevolent Institution for Aged Freemasons and their Widows. Brother Wilson was in the employ of the Surrey Commercial Dock Company for twenty years, and left a Widow and six children surviving entirely dependent upon her, the eldest being only twelve years of age. In consequence of the large family and much illness, Bro. Wilson was unable to make any provision for his family beyond a small amount of Life Insurance.

The undermentioned Brethren strongly recommend the case to your sympathy, and Brothers marked thus * have kindly consented to receive proxies. Votes for Widows and Boys will also be thankfully received for exchange.

SIR F. WYATT TRUSCOTT, P.G.W. P.M. No. 1.
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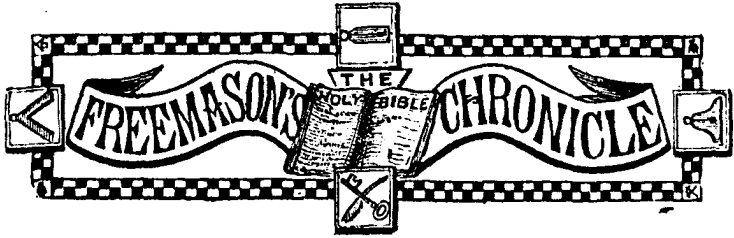
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SATURDAY, 4TH APRIL 1891.

"LA MORT DU PRINCE IMPERIAL."

NOW, how do our readers think the death of the Prince Imperial occurred in Zululand? Most of us think we know how he fell. The story is sad and pitiful; it is full of pain, sorrow, and shame for us. Pshaw! There is not a word of truth in the generally received version. The Prince Imperial was murdered by the Freemasons! You may laugh. But Adrien Papillaud has written a book under the title of "*Crimes Maçonniques*"—one of which was, it seems, the murder of the poor Prince—prefaced by a letter from Baron Tristran Lambert, in which that gentleman, formerly Napoleonist, then Legitimist, now Orleanist, pronounces a touching eulogy on the young Prince, and, in answer to the question "Why did he go to Zululand?" gives his reasons for that unhappy resolution. "They were multiple," says the Baron. "There were, first, his personal characteristics—his patriotism, which led him to seek '*la gloire incontestable d'une action heroïque*' for the sake of his country—and, finally, the influence of his military tastes and education in England. Do not believe the lies which attributed his sudden resolve to domestic causes—never were more devoted and affectionate mother and son." So far, Baron Tristran Lambert. Poor gentleman! How little he knows the facts of the case! The Prince was, as we shall see, really entrapped by a strange combination of agencies to go out to Africa. There his death was cunningly devised beforehand by the Freemasons, who, it appears, according to M. Adrien, worship the Devil, pray to Lucifer, and abuse God or Adonai. The "Chevalier Kadosch" is a very far advanced Mason who is bound to obey the White Masonry. This White Masonry is neither more nor less than "the revolution in permanent action with a view to the establishment of Devil worship, Masonic law, and Masonic socialism." The Prince Imperial was known to be an enemy to Freemasonry. "When he was fifteen, he told Baron Lambert he would never encourage it under any form." Freemasonry disposed of him as it did of the Duc de Berry, of Count Rossi, Prim, and ultimately of Gambetta! Gambetta was in dread of the Napoleonic legend and of the Prince Imperial, its representative. When he came to power, Gambetta was the Grand Master of the Freemasons of France. If he could secure the friendship of the Prince of Wales he could command the Masons of England. But why should the Prince of Wales hurt the Prince Imperial? There was a reason. The young Prince fell in love with the Princess Beatrice, and, after a short visit to "Oxborne," his love was returned. All the Royal Family, except the Prince of Wales, approved of the projected alliance. Thus there was something of a common interest. The Masons of France promised to put Gambetta *en rapport* with the Prince of Wales. They did so. In 1879 the Prince arrived in Paris; he invited Gambetta to dinner at the Hotel Bristol. What passed there? No one knows. But any way—by an unfortunate chance, no doubt—a few days after that dinner the Prince of Wales made the Prince Imperial, whose death Gambetta had sworn, set out for the depths of Africa! How this was managed is not very clear, it is only suggested. Papillon flies from one fact to another in a distracting fashion; but it seems that the business was done by indirect agency. The clubs the Prince Imperial affected were "the Army Club" and "the Rag." Soon after the Gambetta dinner, "Lord L—n, a member of one of the first families in the United Kingdom, a great friend of the Prince of Wales, and very hard up," just back from Paris, entered the "Rag." He told the Prince, whom he met there, "that France was waiting for him, and that if he could perform some *action militaire*, no matter how small, he would be acclaimed almost unanimously before the year was out as Napoleon IV." And then said Lord L—n, "You have received your military education in England—you are the guest of England—why not fight for her?" "You open my eyes," exclaimed the Prince. "Thanks, my Lord! I will go off to announce to my mother my unalterable resolution." Despite the Empress-Mother and M. Rouher, thus instigated he set out for Africa. He went out alone. Lord L—n advised him to do so. M. Papillon, not knowing the great difficulty the Prince had in obtaining leave for himself to go, supposes his Imperial Highness could have had as many friends as he liked with him. But before he left England he wrote the letter which was his legacy to France. As soon as that letter was received in Paris, the Venerables of the Freemason Lodges assembled, under the presidency of Gambetta,

and "decided on sending out five delegates" (Chevaliers Kadosch, we presume) "to Africa"! One was to stop at Cape Town, to send the news of the Prince's death, which was to be effected by poison on the way out; but, though he was ill, he landed safe and sound. His two horses, however, were buried at sea. The Prince had an attack of fever on his way in the "Danube;" he had another at Durban. Curious! "The Radical papers in the pay of Gambetta and the Freemasons were the first to hear the news of his illness!" Among his comrades in Africa was a Lieutenant Carey, who organised a subscription for the French sick and wounded in the War of 1870-71. Carey had thus entered into relations with Gambetta, who proposed his name for the Legion of Honour. When Gambetta had need of an English officer to aid him in his culpable projects he thought of Carey, who, though lately married, set out for the Cape at the same time as the Prince. Carey was a Freemason! The Prince arrived at Headquarters. Always attended by Carey, he was allowed to ride out on reconnaissances. It was perhaps natural that the Prince, who was giving great uneasiness to Lord Chelmsford by his desire for adventure, should have an officer of the Quartermaster-General's staff attached to him? Carey was with the Prince on excursions on 16th and 18th of May. On the latter day he was with a party of twenty horsemen under Colonel Harrison. When night came on they found themselves at the foot of a mountain, on which the Zulus' camp-fires were blazing. "They were not attacked. Why? A mystery no one can pierce!" Carey, who a little later managed the business so that the Prince was disposed of "by arrangement" with Zulus and Freemasons, was surprised at the escape on that occasion. Carey, who had already "sharpened the Prince's appetite for adventures," had on these two occasions (16th and 18th) "dragged him into the midst of the greatest dangers." M. Adrien admits that the Prince had solicited employment on both of them, but doubtless he was urged to do so by Masonic advisers! Of the causes of the catastrophe of 1st June there can be no doubt. It was a deliberately planned assassination! Lord Chelmsford did not engage in the affair, but he is to be reproached for his miserable inaction. (There is some justice in this remark). Lord Chelmsford had under his orders regiments of cavalry. It was a moonlight night, as clear as day. It was, however, Lord Chelmsford's interest that the body should not be found, for the unspeakable shame of the discovery to the English Army would have been avoided. Left out all night, the birds of prey and the wild beasts would have disposed of it! He gave six volunteers as escort to the Prince. General Marshall set out at 9 o'clock next morning with all the cavalry, the volunteers, Cafres, and a troop of Bassutos! They came first to the body of a volunteer, so disfigured as to be unrecognisable. The dead Prince, on the contrary, though stripped, had, beyond his wounds and an incision in the belly, no injuries! Why? Because "Carey had ordered the Zulus not to cut too deeply his delicate limbs!" Gambetta must be satisfied of his death. Carey took care that he himself should not be killed. Carey arranged the party—this in the midst of a surprise and a *saute qui peut* for the horses—so that there should be on the right two volunteers, who were destined to be slain in order that there might be an appearance of reality in the ambuscade. On the left were the men whom Carey had prepared beforehand and who knew what was coming. When the Zulus fired on the party Carey was not wounded—of course not. The two volunteers on the right of the Prince fell mortally wounded, but the Prince was not touched. How provoking! It had been arranged by Carey that the Prince should be killed by a bullet! He ran to his horse; he seized the holster-strap to mount—it broke in his hand! But the groom declared the strap was quite sound that morning! Is it not evident it had been tampered with? Some one, divining that the Prince would try to mount his horse by the aid of the holster-strap, if he was not hit by the authorised bullet, had cut it! And then, again, the chain and medallion placed under the head of the dead man? "Comment les Zoulous, si amateurs de verroterie, auraient-ils laissé là ces deux objets? They did so "by order," to aid the party in establishing the Prince's identity! There we leave M. Papillon. Well aware though we are that no French gentleman or soldier could pay any attention to the infamous charges of the contemptible person who has given it to the world, we have thought it right to give some account of this scandalous production. We venture to say that, from the august lady who reigns over this great Empire to the lowest of her subjects, there was in these islands but one feeling of pity for the death of the Prince Imperial. We believe that his untimely end aroused far more sympathy and sorrow in England than it did in France. That Lieutenant Carey was an Englishman was regarded as little less than a national dishonour. He was culpable enough, and he paid the penalty—not sufficient, we admit—for a moment of weakness in a common danger. No one has ever attempted to vindicate his flight. But to describe him as a deliberate assassin is worthy of a writer who accuses M. Gambetta and the Prince of Wales as his accomplices in assassination, and who seeks to cast suspicion on the honour of our Army and of its officers.—*Army and Navy Gazette*.

A correspondent sends us the following extract:—

The death is announced, after a short illness, of Mr. Finlay Finlayson, editor of the *Swiss and Nice Times*, and formerly of the *New York World* and other American papers. Mr. Finlayson, for some time before his death, was far from well, and accepted the editorship of the *Nice Times* chiefly because he thought a residence in the mild climate of the Riviera would reinvigorate his enfeebled system. He was the author of a "History of Freemasonry," and not long since wrote the libretto for an opera, to which Mr. F. Cowen is setting music.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

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LODGE OF INDUSTRY, No. 48.

THE annual meeting of this Lodge was held, on the 23rd ult., at the Masonic Hall, Jackson-street, Gateshead. Bro. Richardson was elected W.M., the Installing Master being Bro. Brown I.P.M. The W.M. appointed Bros. Wright S.W., Johnson J.W., Craighill Sec., Stafford S.D., Dodds J.D., Bagnall I.G., Jackson S.S., Chegwidden J.S., Rev. Bowker Chaplain, Ferry Organist, and Curry Tyler. There was a large attendance of members of the Lodge, and also brethren from other Lodges. Amongst the P.M.'s of this Lodge were Bros. Reed, Cook, Corbitt, Whitfield, Sinclair, Smith, Dalrymple, Moul, Pybus, and Shawbrooks. The other members of the Lodge were Bros. Col. Cowen, Sinton, Iveson, Grice, Campbell, Hall and Douglas, while amongst the visitors were Bros. Dr. Dixon, Dr. Wilson, Lambert P.M. 111, Londes P.M. 24, Barrow P.M. 111 Darlington, Harker W.M. 24, Mitfoed P.G.S.B., Smith 645 Belfast, Spedding P.M. 1643, Pittick P.M. D.C. 1643, Patterson I.P.M. 424, Kay P.M. 411, Salmon 1643, Salmon 1119, Wilson I.P.M. 1664, Armstrong S.W. 1664, Short W.M. 424, Bell 1427, Richardson S.W. 24, Nixon J.S. 406, Symonds P.M. 1626, Elliott 204, Saunders P.M. 889 and 1503 P.P.G.S.D., Jackson P.M. 712, Jobson W.M. 1664, and Donkin 2060. At the close of the proceedings of the Lodge, the brethren proceeded to the Town Hall, where they were entertained to a banquet, which reflected great credit on the purveyors, Bros. Tait and Son. The newly-elected W.M. presided, and was supported by the P.M.'s of the Lodge. About 100 brethren were present. After the usual loyal toasts were duly honoured, Bro. Reed proposed the health of the W.M. Bro. Richardson. In the course of a deeply interesting address, Bro. Reed referred to the history of the Lodge, its formation, progress, and present satisfactory position. The toast was received with great enthusiasm, and the W.M. responded in suitable terms. Several other toasts, including that of the Masonic Charities, followed. The Tyler's toast brought a most successful gathering to a close.

LODGE OF INTEGRITY, No. 163 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting took place in the Freemasons' Hall, on Wednesday, 25th March. Present: Bros. Bedson W.M., Sparkes S.W., Sohofield J.W., Sinclair P.M. P.P.G.S.D. Treasurer, Wildgrove P.M. P.P.G.D.C. Secretary, Blamey S.D., Youle J.D., Studd I.G., Warburton P.M. P.P.G.S.D., Kershaw P.M., Williams P.M., Studd P.M., Walmsley, Taylor, Eastwood, Mead, Nield, Hilton, Thornton, Stott, Mee, Gaskell, Carr, Chorley, Slee, Langley, Mitchell, Allen, and Hepworth; Visitors: Perkins 1025 Buenos Ayres. The brethren met at six o'clock, and the Lodge formally opened, after which, as is customary, they adjourned to tea. Later on the degree of Fellow Craft was conferred upon Bros. Thornton, Mead, Eastwood, and Nield, and there being no further business, the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony.

TOWNLEY PARKER LODGE, No. 1083 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting was held in the Grand Hotel, on Wednesday, 25th March. Present: Bros. Armitage W.M., Selby S.W., Parker J.W., Taylor Treas., Simister Sec., Birkbeck S.D., Lingard J.D., Edmondson Organist, Hyde I.G., Chalmers Steward, Hegham P.M. P.P.G.D.C., Wand I.P.M., Bowes, Lowe, Downs, Stephenson, and Thompson. Visitors: Melling 986 and 2185, and Rostron 1140. The Lodge was opened in the usual manner at 6.15, and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. There being no business, the Lodge was shortly afterwards closed in peace and harmony.

PRINCE ARTHUR LODGE, No. 1570.

ON Tuesday, the 16th ult., in the presence of the largest, most influential, and thoroughly representative gathering of the Masonic fraternity seen in this city for a very long time, Bro. Councillor Arthur J. J. Bamford was installed as W.M., at the Masonic Hall, Hope Street, Liverpool. Bro. Bamford, as in other spheres, has secured in Masonry an amount of personal popularity and general esteem as the result of courtesy, earnestness of purpose, and large-hearted charity, and accordingly the gathering yesterday was a vivid evidence of the appreciation of the brethren. The Lodge was opened by Bro. W. M'Gauley W.M., and, besides a full complement of Officers, he was supported by Past Masters Barrow, Senar, and Foote. The Visitors included Bros. Goodacre, Macnab, Harradon, Callow, Martin, Dean, Betley, Erwin, Bell, Mackenzie, Morgan, Armitage, Willings, Walker, Platt, Councillor J. de Bels Adam, Bird, Jarman, Smythe, Savage, Round, Rawsthorne, Britten, Sweetman, Latham, Lewis, Lowton, Hopkins, Hughes, Ellis, Vernon, Sheen, M'Cracken, Hallwood, Harris, Sears, Jude, and Councillor G. B. Rodway. Bro. Councillor Bamford, presented by Bro. R. Foote P.P.G. Treasurer, and P. R. Barrow P.M., was very effectively installed in the chair of Worshipful Master by Bro. M'Gauley the retiring W.M., who received a cordial vote of thanks at the close of the proceedings, and was presented with a Past Master's jewel, in recognition of his valuable services to the Lodge. The W.M. invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. M'Gauley I.P.M., James Greenlees S.W., Caldwell J.W., Foote Treasurer, Myers Secretary, M. S. Greenlees S.D., Scott J.D., Barrow Dir. of Cers., Callow I.G., Doran Organist, Simpson, Clayton, Plumpton, and Salvidge,

Stewards, and W. H. Ball was unanimously re-elected Tyler. The brethren then adjourned to banquet, served by Bro. Casey, and afterwards the W.M. read letters of apology for non-attendance from Bros. the Earl of Lathom D.G.M. P.G.M. West Lancashire, the Earl of Crawford D.P.G.M., and Sir W. Wynn P.G.M. of North Wales. In the course of the evening Bro. Foote stated that Bro. Bamford the W.M. had given 100 guineas to the funds of the Royal Masonic School for Boys in London—an intimation which was received with enthusiastic applause. The usual Loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed, and during the proceedings the W.M. presented the I.P.M. with a handsome set of fish carvers, knives and forks, for Mrs. M'Gauley. A choice musical programme was given by Bros. Kirkham, Edwards, Davies, Hollis, Lewis, Heginbotham, Griffiths, Muir, Burt, Williams, Fargher, Lane, Sweetman, Ronnd, Latham, and Nicholls P.M. 2042, who conducted. The special toast card, containing portraits of the W.M. and all his Officers, was a most artistic production, and reflected much credit on Messrs. Brown, Barnes, and Bell, Bold Street.

AVON LODGE, No. 1633 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting of this Lodge was held at the Wheatsheaf Hotel, on Wednesday, 25th March. Present: Bros. Farington W.M., Kenworthy S.W., Battersby J.W., Brown P.M. Sec., Wells S.D., Jacobson J.D., Mason I.G.; P.M.'s Macfarlane, Cavanaugh, McKellen P.P.G.S.D. W.L., Allitt, Lyon, Craven, and Swinn; Bros. Dresser, Walters, Denham, Simon, Driver, Carter, &c.; Visitors: Cheetham P.P.G.J.D., Hooper P.P.G.T., and Fitton 2357. The Lodge was opened in the usual manner at six o'clock, but although several candidates' names were upon the circular, none put in an appearance, greatly to the disappointment of the W.M. The deputation from Provincial Grand Lodge, in the persons of Bros. Cheetham and Hooper, explained the object of their visit with regard to the proposed extended benefits of the East Lancashire Systematic Institution, and we are pleased to announce their appeal was responded to with promises of £35 towards that laudable object. The Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 9 o'clock, and the brethren spent a very pleasant time together at the social board, where the usual toasts were honoured.

CROOK LODGE, No. 2109.

THE brethren met on the 25th ult., at the Freemasons' Hall, Church-street, Crook, for the installation of Bro. Joel as Wor. Master for the ensuing year. The Lodge was opened in due form by Bro. Wraith, the retiring W.M. At the conclusion of the ordinary business of the Lodge the W.M. elect was presented and duly installed into the chair of K.S. according to ancient custom. The charges to the Master, Wardens and Brethren having been given by Bro. Hardy P.M. P.P.G.P., the newly-installed W.M. appointed and invested his Officers, as follow:—Bros. Wraith I.P.M., Emerson S.W., Talbot J.W., Rev. F. Newsome P.G.C. Chaplain, Proud Treasurer, Taylor Secretary, Smith S.D., Wanless J.D., Linton Dir. of Cers., Hughes Organist, Turner I.G., Walton and Hall Stewards, Dowson Tyler. Following these appointments Bro. Joel, on behalf of the Officers and brethren of the Lodge, presented Bro. Wraith with a P.M.'s jewel in recognition of his services during the past year. The brethren afterwards dined together in the banqueting-room.

JUBILEE LODGE, No. 2195.

THE installation meeting was held on Thursday, 26th ult., in the Freemasons' Hall, Snargate-street, Dover, when Bro. Maj. Thring, Royal Artillery, was duly installed into the chair by the retiring Master (Bro. Simpson), Royal Fusiliers, who performed the ceremony very impressively. There was a very large muster of brethren, between sixty and seventy being present at the Lodge meeting. A Past Master's jewel was presented to the Immediate Past Master (Bro. Simpson), and a vote of thanks was also passed to him for the admirable way in which he performed the ceremony connected with the installation. The newly-elected Master appointed the following as his Officers for the year:—Bros. Lieut. Simpson, R.F., I.P.M., Sergt.-Major Dockrell, R.F., S.W., Lieut.-Col. Westropp J.W., Surgeon-Major Walter, M.M.S., Treasurer, Captain Baker Secretary, Quarter-Master Sergeant White Foreman of Works, R.E., S.D., Quarter-Master Sergeant Annett, Staff Clerk, A.P. Dept., J.D., Sergt.-Major Barron, A.S.C., P.M. Steward, Herbert I.G., Marsh Tyler. The musical portion of the ceremony was rendered by Bros. Major Guyon, Captain Baker, Igglesden, Barclay and Spicer. The installation was subsequently celebrated by a banquet, which was very creditably served by Bro. Dartnall. The usual Loyal and Masonic, and several complimentary toasts were proposed. In the course of the evening the toast of the newly-elected Worshipful Master (Bro. Thring) was proposed in very suitable terms by Bro. Surgeon-Major Walter, and enthusiastically received by the brethren, the toast of the Installing Master (Bro. Simpson) being also received with great warmth.

MINNEHAHA MINSTREL LODGE, No. 2363 (MANCHESTER).

A REGULAR meeting of this Lodge was held at the Victoria Hotel, on Monday, 23rd ult. Present—Bros. Thomas W.M., Nall D.C. acting S.W., Wollaston Secretary, Brabner S.D., Beever J.D., Ward I.G., Smith Organist, Watson, Geddes, Duckworth,

Normanton, Kayes, Gags and Lloyds. Visitors—Bros. Stott P.M. 999, Baynton P.M. 1213, Jenkins P.M. 999 P.P.G.S.B., Cliffe P.M. and Secretary 204, Heywood P.M. 1387, Hooper P.P.G.T., Goldthorpe W.M. 2156 P.P.G.Org., Cheetham P.M. 993 P.P.G.J.D., Renshaw S.W. 1387, and Wadsworth W.M. 1450. The Lodge was opened with prayer at six o'clock and the minutes of the previous meeting read and confirmed. The ballot was taken for Mr. H. E. Lilley, and being declared favourable he was initiated into Freemasonry by the W.M., after which Bro. Watson was passed to the second degree. Before the Lodge closed Bros. Cheetham P.P.G.J.D. and Hooper P.P.G.T., who have been appointed deputies from P.G. Lodge to descant on an extended system of relief in connection with the East Lancashire Systematic Educational and Benevolent Institution, explained to the brethren the requirements for that object and the suggested projects for accumulating the sum desired. It may be mentioned that most of the members of this Lodge belong to a remarkably clever troop of minstrels, from which the Lodge takes its name, and who from time to time have given highly successful performances in aid of various Charitable Institutions, resulting in a net profit of over £5000. Out of this sum only £79 has been given to Masonic Charities, consequently at the united wish of the members of the Lodge the Minnehaba Minstrels have consented to give a grand performance in the Free Trade Hall in aid of the East Lancashire Institution on Saturday, 11th inst., and from the energy displayed by members of every Lodge in and around Manchester over the sale of tickets, a highly successful concert is anticipated, and a good round sum handed to the Institution. The performance will be under the patronage of Bros. the Right Hon. the Earl of Lathom, Lord Egerton of Tatton, Sir Horatio Lloyd, Col. Le Gendre N. Starkie, George Mellon, Esq., and the Present and Past P.G. Officers. There being no further business the Lodge was closed in peace and harmony at 8.15, and the brethren sat down to supper in the handsome and comfortable dining-room of the hotel.

KENSINGTON LODGE, No. 1767.

QUITE a gay and festive appearance was presented by the banqueting-room of this Lodge at Ladbroke Hall, on Friday, the 20th ult., when the brethren had the privilege of inviting their lady and gentlemen friends to the now well-instituted "ladies' banquet." The presence of the fair sex gave quite a pleasing change to the scene at which the brethren are wont to refresh after labour quite by themselves. Bro. Oliver W.M. presided, and there was a large assembly present. After the banquet, which was excellently served by Mrs. Linscott, had been enjoyed, and (grace "For these and all Thy mercies" admirably sung by Miss F. Wright and Bros. Mackay and Oliver, the toast list commenced with the health of the Queen, from the chair, the National Anthem being sung by the same artistes. Then followed the health of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales M.W. Grand Master, with song by Bro. Freeman. The toast "Grand Officers, Present and Past" was well received, after which Miss Florence Wright sang in excellent voice "The Kerry Dancers," and as an encore "Mavourneen." The next toast was that of the Worshipful Master, proposed by P.M. Bro. Norman, and suitably responded to. Then followed a song by Miss Greta Williams, "Come home at last," which those who know this young lady's excellent singing will not need to be told was simply perfection; songs by Bros. Miller and Frank Norman, and, by way of variety, some rapid sketching cleverly executed by Mr. Havelock Mason. After an interval of ten minutes, the old farce "Whitobait at Greenwich" was produced, with the following cast:—John Small, Mr. G. Miuto; Mr. Glimmer, Mr. C. Everard; Benjamin Buzzard, Bro. Barclay; Sally, Miss Jessie Barclay; Miss Lucretia Buzzard, Mrs. Barclay. Though put on rather late in the evening, the different characters were well sustained throughout, and the sketch was voted a success. The next toast "The Ladies," was given by Bro. Norman, and humorously responded to by Bro. Read on their behalf, the proceedings concluding with a song by Mr. Everard, a duet by Miss Greta Williams and Miss Florence Wright (who sang together in excellent harmony), a song by Bro. Mackay, and a recitation, "The Bashful Man," by Bro. Turner. The whole of the evening's arrangements were carried through successfully, Bro. Neville, the steward, being most assiduous in his attention to the company, and the ladies were evidently pleased to have the opportunity of an evening's amusement amongst "Masonry."

Manchester Lodge of Instruction, No. 179.—Bro. Joseph Greenway, of the Harrow Lodge, No. 1310, was unanimously elected Preceptor of this Lodge last week. The energy and zeal of Bro. Greenway for the welfare of the Craft is shown by the time and attention he devotes to its service. He is also Preceptor of the Covent Garden and Emblematic Lodges of Instruction, meeting respectively at the Criterion on Thursdays and St. James' Hall Restaurant on Tuesdays. Bro. Greenway is also a member of the Board of Preceptors of the Queen's Westminster Lodge.

Hornsey Lodge of Instruction, No. 890.—A meeting of this recently constituted Lodge of Instruction was held on Thursday, the 26th inst., at the Masonic Rooms, Lewisham, S.E., adjoining the White Hart Hotel, High Street, at 8 p.m. Bro. Walter Martin presided as W.M., and amongst others present during the evening were Bros. Stevens P.M. S.W., Pynegar J.W., Drew P.M. Preceptor, Wimbush Treasurer, Robin Secretary, Pickering W.M. 890 S.D., Clarke J.D., Morley I.G., Blanchard, Hornes, Livermore, Harris, Humphrey, &c. The Lodge was worked in the third degree, Bro. Martin rehearsing in his usual effective manner the entire ceremonial, and being ably assisted by his Officers. Notification was given of the intended rehearsal of the ceremonies of consecration and installation by Bro. James Terry P.G.S.B. and Secretary R.M.B.I. on the 16th inst., and arrangements were made for making the occasion of considerable interest to Craftsmen in the district, and securing a large attendance. The Lodge was, after the customary routine business, closed in due form.

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DIARY FOR THE WEEK.

We shall be obliged if the Secretaries of the various Lodges throughout the Kingdom will favour us with a list of their Days of Meetings, &c., as we have decided to insert only those that are verified by the Officers of the several Lodges.

Saturday, 4th April.

- General Com. Boys' School, F.M.H., 3
1572 Carnarvon, Albion Tavern, Aldersgate-street
1949 Brixton, Brixton Hall, Acree Lane, Brixton
1233 Amherst, Amherst Arms Hotel, Riverhead
1458 Truth, Wheatshaf Hotel, Manchester
1466 Hova Ecclesia, Old Ship Hotel, Brighton
1929 Mozart, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon

Monday, 6th April.

- 12 Fortitude & Old Cumberland, 129 Leadenhall St.
25 Robert Burns, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
69 Unity, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
83 United Lodge of Prudence, Albion, E.C.
144 St. Luke, Anderton's Hotel, E.C.
188 Joppa, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
266 Unions, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1319 Asaph, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1669 Royal Leopold, Surrey Masonic Hall, S.E.
1853 Caxton, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
2220 St. Botolph's, Albion, Aldersgate Street, E.C.
2098 Harlesden, National School, Harlesden
R.A. 28 Old King's Arms, Freemason's Tav, W.C.
R.A. 1198 Urban, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.

- 37 Anchor and Hope, Freemasons' Hall, Bolton
53 Royal Sussex, Masonic Hall, Bath
113 Unanimity, Bull Hotel, Preston
119 Sun, Sq., and Comp., F.M.H., Whitehaven
133 Harmony, Ship Hotel, Faversham
154 Unanimity, M.H., Zetland Street, Wakefield
158 Harmony, Huyshe Masonic Temple, Plymouth
199 Peace and Harmony, Royal Oak Hotel, Dover
338 Vitruvian, Royal Hotel, Ross, Herefordshire
351 Harmony & Industry, Bank Bldgs, Over Darwon
395 Guy, Crown Hotel, Leamington Priors
431 St. George, Masonic Hall, N. Shields
441 Three Grand Principles, Red Lion Hot, Camb.
483 St. James's, Masonic Rooms, Handsworth
529 Semper Fidelis, Crown Hotel, Worcester
597 St. Cybi, Town Hall, Holyhead
850 St. Oswald, Town Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire
928 Friendship, Masonic Hall, Petersfield
1009 Shakspeare, F.M.H., Cooper St., Manchester
1045 Stamford, Town Hall, Altrincham, Cheshire
1050 Gundulph, King's Head Hotel, Rochester
1051 Rowley, Athensum, Lancaster
1077 Wilton, Red Lion Inn, Blackley, Lancashire
1108 Royal Wharfedale, Private Rooms, Otley
1124 St. Oswald, Wynnstay Arms Hotel, Oswestry
1180 Forward, Masonic Rooms, Birmingham
1211 Goderich, Masonic Hall, Leeds
1238 Wentworth, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
1264 Neptune, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1302 De Warren, White Swan Hotel, Halifax
1380 Skelmersdale, Queen's Hot, Waterloo, Liverpool
1434 Nottinghamshire, Masonic Hall, Nottingham
1519 Albert Edward, Albion Hotel, near Accrington
1573 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Caer Street, Swansea
1578 Merlin, New Inn Hotel, Pontypridd
1676 St. Nicholas, Freemasons' Hall, Newcastle
1798 Zion, Masonic Rooms, King St., Manchester
2094 Elthorne and Middx., Town Hall, Hounslow
R.A. 262 Salopian, The Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury
R.A. 380 Integrity, Masonic Temple, Morley
M.M. 37 Wyndham, Masonic Hall, Basingstoke
R.C. Skelmersdale, Masonic Hall, Liverpool

Tuesday, 7th April.

- Colonial Board, Freemasons' Hall, 4
7 Royal York of Perseverance, F.M.H., W.C.
18 Old Dundee, City Terminus Hotel, E.C.
101 Temple, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
217 Stability, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
765 St. James, Bridge House Hotel, Southwark
1259 Duke of Edinburgh, Cape of Good Hope Tav. E.
1261 Golden Rule, Cafe Royal, Regent Street, W.
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, Woolwich
1693 Kingsland, Old Cock Tav, Highbury Corner, N.
R.A. 169 Temperance, Swan Hotel, Deptford
R.A. 1538 St. Martins-le-Grand, Guildhall Tav, E.C.
M.M. 355 Royal Savoy, Criterion, Piccadilly
70 St. John, F.M.H., Plymouth
103 Beaufort, Freemasons' Hall, Bristol
120 Palladian, Green Dragon Hotel, Hereford
124 Marquis of Granby, F.M.H., Old Elvet, Durham
158 Adams, Britannia Hotel, Sheerness
209 Etonian, Masonic Hall, Windsor
226 Benevolence, Red Lion Hotel, Littleborough
265 Royal Yorkshire, Masonic Club, Keighley
364 Cambrian, Masonic Hall, Neath
393 St. David, Masons' Hall, Berwick
493 Royal Lebanon, Spread Eagle, Gloucester
568 Temple, Town Hall, Folkestone
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
702 Sherborne, Subscription Rooms, Stroud
731 Londesborough, M.H., Bridlington Quay
791 Warden, Royal Hotel, Sutton Coldfield
804 Carnarvon, Masonic Hall, Havant
847 Fortescue, Manor House, Honiton, Devon
948 St. Barnabas, Masonic Room, Leighton Buzzard
974 Pentalpha, New Masonic Hall, Bradford
995 Furness, Masonic Temple, Ulverston
1002 Skiddaw, Masonic Hall, Cockermouth
1134 Newall, Freemasons' Hall, Salford
1161 De Grey and Ripon, F.M.H., Manchester
2144 Marwood, Freemasons' Hall, Redcar
1322 Waverley, Caledonian Inn, Ashton-under-Lyne
1436 Square & Compass, Corn Exchange, Wrexham
1388 St. Eleth, Castle Hotel, Amwell, Anglessea
1670 Caradoc, Masonic Hall, Rhyll
1750 Colorige, Sandringham House, Croydon
1993 Wolsley, Town Hall Buildings, Manchester
2133 Swan of Avon, Union Club, Stratford-on-Avon
R.A. 203 St. John of Jerusalem, M.H., Liverpool
R.A. 600 Sincerity, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
R.A. 645 Humphrey Chetham, F.M.H., Manchester
R.A. 1611 Eboracum, Masonic Hall, York
M.M. 161 Walton, Skelmersdale M.H., Kirkdale

Wednesday, 8th April.

- Committee R.M.B.I., Freemasons' Hall, 3
3 Fidelity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
11 Enoch, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
13 Waterloo, Union Masonic Hall, Woolwich
15 Kent, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
87 Vitruvian, White Hart Lambeth
117 Justice, White Swan, High Street, Deptford
749 Belgrave, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tavern, Bardett Road
1269 John Hervey, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1306 Lodge of St. John, Three Nuns Hotel, Aldgate
1538 St. Martin's-le-Grand, Great Eastern Hot, E.C.
1586 Upp'r Norwood, White Hart, Upp'r Norwood
1694 Imperial, Cadogan Hotel, Sloane St., Chelsea
1718 Centurion, Imperial Hotel, Holborn Viaduct
1900 Montague Guest, Inns of Court Hotel, W.C.
M.M. (T.L.) Old Kent, Ship and Turtle, E.C.

- 54 Hope, Spread Eagle Inn, Roehdale
146 Antiquity, Bull's Head, Bradshawgate, Bolton
191 St. John, Knowsley Hotel, Bury, Lancashire
204 Caledonian, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
225 St. Luke's, Coach and Horse Hotel, Ipswich
281 Fortitude, Masonic Rooms, Church St., Laues.
288 Harmony, Masonic Hall, Todmorden
483 Sympathy, Old Falcon Hotel, Gravesend
567 Unity, Globe Hotel, Warwick
615 St. John and St. Paul, Prince of Wales, Erith
666 Benevolence, Private Rooms, Prince Town
852 Zetland, Albert Hotel, Salford
854 Albert, Duke of York Inn, Shaw, near Oldham
1018 Shakspeare, Freemasons' Hall, Bradford
1031 Fletcher, Masonic Hall, Birmingham
1060 Marmion, Masonic Rooms, Tamworth
1064 Borough, Bull Hotel, Burnley
1094 Temple, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1101 Grey Friars, Masonic Hall, Reading
1209 Lewisies, Royal Hotel, Ramsgate
1248 Denison, Masonic Hall, Scarborough
1342 Walker, Hope and Anchor, Ryker, Newcastle
1398 Baldwin, Dalton Castle, Dalton-in-Furness
1424 Brownrigg, Assembly Rooms, Old Brompton
1434 Nottinghamshire, George Hotel, Nottingham
1520 Earl Shrewsbury, Public Rooms, Cannock
1547 Liverpool, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1582 Llanidloes, Trewythen Arms, Llanidloes
1643 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Hobburn-on-Tyne
1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent
2316 Egerton, Bull's Head Hotel, Swinton
2041 West Kent Volunteer, M.H., Wilmington
R.A. 62 Social, Queen's, Piccadilly, Manchester
R.A. 350 Meribah, Grapes Inn, Stoneclough
R.A. 482 Bank Terrace, Hargreaves Arms Hotel, Accrington
R.A. 673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
R.A. 809 Etheldreda, Rose & Crown Hot, Wisbech
R.A. 1177 Dinbych, Masonic Rooms, Tenby
R.A. 1345 Victoria, Cross Keyes Hotel, Eccles
M.M. 192 St. Outhbert, Masonic Hall, Berwick

Thursday, 9th April.

- Quarterly Gen. Court Girls' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 12
91 Regularity, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
208 Friendship, Ship and Turtle, E.C.
238 Pilgrim, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
263 Bank of England, Albion Tavern, E.C.
534 Polish National, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
657 Canonbury, Albion, Aldersgate Street
860 Dalhousie, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet St., E.C.
879 Southwark, Southwark Park Tavern
1076 Capper, Guildhall Tavern, Grasham St., E.C.
1216 Macdonald, Head Quarters 1st Surrey Rifles
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury
1839 Duke of Cornwall, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1599 Skelmersdale, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
1791 Creaton, Freemasons' Hall, W. J.
R.A. 140 St. George's, Green Man Hotel, Blackheath
R.A. 619 Beadon, Masons' Hall Tavern, E.C.
R.A. 813 New Concord, Guildhall Tavern, E.C.
M.M. 86 Samson and Lion, Masons' Hall Avenue
35 Medina, 85 High Street, Cowes
97 Palatine, Masonic Hall, Sunderland
112 St. George, Masonic Hall, Exeter
139 Britannia, Freemasons' Hall, Sheffield
333 Royal Preston, Castle Hotel, Preston
339 Unanimity, Crown Hotel, Penrith, Sunderland
469 Hundred of Elloe, Masonic Rooms, Spalding
477 Mersey, 55 Argyle Street, Birkenhead
546 Etruscan, Masonic Hall, Salford
732 Royal Brunswick, Royal Pavilion, Brighton
739 Temperance, Masonic Rooms, Birmingham
781 Wellington, Masonic Rooms, Deal
786 Croxteth United Service, M.H., Liverpool
945 Abbey, Council Chamber, Abingdon
991 Type, Masonic Hall, Wellington Quay
1035 Prince of Wales, Masonic Hall, Kirkdale
1057 Derby, Bedford Street, Cheetham, Manchester
1093 St. George, Temperance Hotel, Treleagar
1144 Milton, Commercial Hotel, Ashton-under-Lyne
1145 Equality, Red Lion, Accrington
1147 St. David, Freemasons' Hall, Manchester
1182 Duke of Edinburgh, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
1204 Royd, Imperial Hotel, Malvern
1273 St. Michael, Masonic Hall, Sittingbourne
1369 Bala, Plasgoch Hotel, Bala
1429 Albert Edward Prince of Wales, Freemasons' Hall, Newport, Mon.
1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughdon
1543 Corbet, Corbet Arms, Towyn
1607 Hospitality, Royal Hotel, Waterfoot
1782 Macon, Swan, Colleshill
1915 Graystone, Foresters' Hall, Whitstable
R.A. 275 Perseverance, Masonic Hall, Huddersfield
R.A. 807 Cabell, 23 St. Giles Street, Norwich
M.M. 16 Friendship, 2 St. Stephen's St., Devonport
M.M. 145 Constantine, George Hotel, Colchester

Friday, 10th April.

- Quarterly Gen. Court Boys' School, Freemasons' Hall, at 12
131 Caledonian, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall St.
157 Bedford, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1201 Eclectic, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
R.A. 33 Britannia, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C.
R.C. 3 Mount Calvary, 33 Golden Square, W.
526 Honour, Star and Garter Hot., Wolverhampton
662 Dartmouth, Dartmouth Hotel, W. Bromwich
845 Blair, Town Hall, Hulme

- 916 Hartington, Burlington Hotel, Eastbourne
1121 Wear Valley, Masonic Hall, Bishop Auckland.
R.A. 406 De Sussex, Masonic Hall, Newcastle

Saturday, 11th April.

- 108 London, Ship and Turtle, Leadenhall Street
173 Phoenix, Freemasons' Hall, W.C.
1446 Mount Edgecombe, Bridge House Hotel, S.E.
1607 Loyalty, London Tavern, Fenchurch Street
1671 Mizpah, Albion Hotel, Aldersgate Street
1743 Perseverance, Anderton's Hotel, Fleet Street
2306 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon
M.M. 211 Hammersmith, Windsor Castle, King St.
1415 Campbell, Mitre Hotel, Hampton Court
1637 Unity, Harrow
1990 Hampshire of Emulation, F.M.H., Landport
2096 George Price, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon
2069 Prudence, Masonic Hall, Leeds
R.A. 811 Yarborough, Royal Pavilion, Brighton

INSTRUCTION.

Saturday, 4th April.

- 87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C. 8
198 Percy, Jolly Farmers' Tav, Southgate Rd., N. 5
1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E. 7
1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
1524 Duke of Connaught, Lord Stanley, Hackney, 8
1624 Eccleston, 13 Cambridge Street, Pimlico, 7
2012 Chiswick, Windsor Castle, Hammersmith, 7:30
2182 Warner, Bridge Chambers, Hoe Street, Walthamstow, 8
R.A. Sinai, Union Tavern, Air Street, W. 8

Monday, 6th April.

- 22 Loughborough, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
27 Egyptian, Atlantic Tavern, Brixton, S.W., 8
45 Strong Man, Bell and Bush, Ropemaker St., 7
174 Sincerity, Railway Tavern, Fenchurch St., 7
180 St. James's Union, St. James's Restaurant, 8
248 True Love & Unity, F.M.H., Brixham, Devon, 7
382 Royal Union, Chequers' Hotel, Uxbridge
548 Wellington, White Swan, High St., Deptford, 8
823 Everton, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7:30
933 Doric, Duke's Head, 79 Whitechapel Road, 8
975 Rose of Denmark, Gauden Hotel, Clapham, 7:30
1227 Upton, Three Nuns, Aldgate, E., 8
1339 Stockwell, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 6:30
1425 Hyde Park, Porchester Hot, Cleveland Gdns., 8
1445 Prince Leopold, 292 Whitechapel Road, E., 7
1449 Royal Military, Masonic Hall Canterbury, 8
1489 M. of Ripon, Queen's Hot, Victoria Park, 7:30
1507 Metropolitan, The Moorgate, E.C., 7:30
1585 Royal Commemoration, Railway Ho, Putney
1608 Kilburn, 46 South Molton Street, W., 8
1623 West Smithfield, Manchester Hotel, E.C., 7
1693 Kingsland, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 8:30
1707 Eleanor, Rose and Crown, Tottenham, 8
1743 Perseverance, Deacons' Tavern, Walsbrook, 7
1891 St. Ambrose, Baron's Ct. Hot, W. Kensington, 8
1901 Selwyn, East Dulwich Hotel, East Dulwich, 8
2021 Queen's (Westminster) and Marylebone, The Criterion, W., 8

Tuesday, 7th April.

- 25 Robert Burns, 8 Tottenham Court Road, 8
55 Constitutional, Bedford Hotel, Holborn, 7
141 Faith, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W.
177 Domestic, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
188 Joppa, Manchester Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8
212 Euphrates, Mother Red Cap, Camden Town, 8
241 Merchants, Masonic Hall, Liverpool
463 East Surrey of Concord, Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, 8
554 Yarborough, Green Dragon, Stepney, 8
700 Nelson, Star and Garter, Woolwich, 7:30
753 Prince Fred. William, Eagle Tav., Maida Hill, 8
820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 7:30
829 Sydney, Black Horse Hotel, Sidcup, 7
860 Dalhousie, Middleton Arms, Dalston, 8
861 Finsbury, King's Head, Threadneedle St., 7
1044 Wandsworth, East Hill Hotel, Wandsworth, 8
1321 Emblematic, Mom's Hotel, Henrietta St., W.C., 8
1343 St. John, Masonic Hall, Grays, Essex
1349 Friars, Liverpool Arms, Gaining Town, 7:30
1446 Mount Edgecombe, Three Sags, Lambeth Rd., 8
1471 Islington, Cock Tavern, Highbury, N., 7:30, 8
1472 Henley, Three Crowns, North Woolwich
1473 Bootle, 140 Berry Street, Bootle, 6
1540 Chaucer, Old White Hart, 5 rough High St.
1638 Brownrigg, Alexandra Hotel, Norbiton, 8
1695 New Finsbury Park, Hornsey Wood Tav, N., 8
1849 Duke of Cornwall, Queen's Arms, E.C., 7
1949 Brixton, Prince Regent East Brixton, 8
2146 Surliton, Maple Hall, Surliton
Metropolitan Chapter, White Hart, Cannon St., 6:30
R.A. 704 Camden, 15 Finsbury Pavement, E.C., 8
R.A. 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Clapton, 8
R.A. 1642 E. of Carnarvon, Lambroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8

Wednesday, 8th April.

- 3 Fidelity, Alfred, Roman Road, Barnsbury, 8
39 United Mariners', Lugard, Peckham, 7:30
65 Prosperity, 2 St. Mary Axe, E.C., 7
72 Royal Jubilee, Mitre, Chancery Lane, W.C., 8
73 Mount Lebanon, George Inn, Borough, 8
193 Confidence, Hercules Tavern, Leadenhall St., 228
United Strength, Hope, Regent's Park, 8
534 La Tolerance, Portland Hot, Gt. Portland St., 8
594 Dawnsire, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 7
673 St. John, Masonic Hall, Liverpool, 8
720 Pamure, Balnam Hotel, Balham, 7
781 Merchant Navy, Silver Tav, Bardett Rd., 7:30
813 New Concord, Jolly Farmers, Southgate Rd., 8
862 Whittington, Red Lion, Fleet Street, 8
902 Bargoyle, Essex Arms, Strand, 8
972 St. Augustine, Masonic Hall, Canterbury, 8:30
1037 Portland, Portland Hall, Portland
1269 Stanhope, Fox and Hounds, Putney
1356 Fox and Hounds, 19 North Hill Street, Liverpool, 7:30
1475 Peckham, 51-62 Old Kent Road, 8
1511 Alexandra, Horsea, Hull

1801 Ravensbourne, Rising Sun, Rusby Green, Catford, 8
 1604 Wanderers, Victoria Mansions Restaurant, S.W., 7:30
 1662 Beaconsfield, Chequers, Walthamstow, 7:30
 1681 Londesborough, Berkeley Arms, May Fair, 8
 1692 Hervey, White Hart Hotel, Bromley, Kent, 8:30
 1791 Creaton, Wheatshaf, Shepherd's Bush, 8
 1929 Earl of Lathom, Station Hotel, Camberwell New Road, 8
 1963 Duke of Albany, 153 B ttersea Park Road, 7:30
 2206 Hendon, Welsh Harp, Hendon, 8
 R.A. 177 Domatic, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
 R.A. 720 Panmure, Goose and Gridiron, E.C., 7
 R.A. 933 Doric, 203 Whitechapel Road, E., 7:30
 M.M. Grand Masters, 8a Red Lion Square, 7
 M.M. Thistle, Freemasons' Tavern, W.C., 8

Thursday, 9th April.

144 St. Luke, White Hart, Chelsea, 7:30
 147 Justice, Brown Bear, Deptford, 8
 263 Clarence, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C.
 495 Salisbury, Union Tavern, Air Street, W., 8
 754 High Cross, Coach and Horses, Tottenham, 8
 879 Southwark, Sir Garnet Wolsley, Rotherhithe New Road
 890 Camden, Masonic Room, Lewisham, at 8
 1017 Montefiore, St. James's Restaurant, W., 8
 1158 Southern Star, Sir Syd. Smith, Kennington, 8
 1182 Duke of Edinburgh, M.H., Liverpool, 7:30
 1278 Burdett Conitts, Swan, Bethnal Green Road, 8

1306 St. John, Three Crowns, Mile End Road, 8
 1360 Royal Arthur, Prince of Wales, Wimbledon, 7:30
 1428 The Great City, Masons' Hall Avenue, 6:30
 1558 D. Connaught, Palmerston Arms, Camberwell, 8
 1571 Leopold, City Arms Tavern, E.C., 7
 1580 Cranbourne, Red Lion, Hatfield, 8
 1602 Sir Hugh Myddelton, White Horse, Liverpool Road, N., 8
 1612 West Middlesex, Bell, Ealing Dean, 7:45
 1614 Covent Garden, Criterion, W., 8
 1625 Tredegar, Wellington, Bow, E., 7:30
 1673 Langton, White Hart, Abchurch Lane, 5:30
 1677 Crusaders, Old Jerusalem, St. John's Gate, Clerkenwell, 9
 M.M. Old Kent, Crown and Cushion, London Wall

Friday, 10th April.

Emulation, Freemasons' Hall, 6
 General Lodge, Masonic Hall, Birmingham, 8
 167 St. John's, York and Albany, Regent's Park, 8
 507 United Pilgrims, Surrey M.H., Camberwell, 7:30
 733 Westbourne, Swiss Cottage Tavern, Finchley Road, N.W., 8
 740 Belgrave, Harp Tavern, Jermyn Street, W. 8
 765 St. James, Princess Victoria, Rotherhithe, 8
 766 William Preston, St. Andrew's Tav, Baker St., 8
 780 Royal Alfred, Star and Garter, Kow Bridge, 8
 834 Ranelagh, Six Bells, Hammersmith
 1056 Metropolitan, Portugal Hotel, Fleet Street, 7
 1185 Lewis, Fishmongers' Arms, Wood Green, 7:30
 1228 Beacontree, Green Man, Leytonstone, 8

1298 Royal Standard, Builders' Arms, Canonbury, 8
 1365 Clapton, White Hart, Lower Clapton, 7:30
 1381 Kennington, The Horns, Kennington, 8
 1457 Bagshaw, Public Hall, Loughton, Essex, 7:30
 1642 E. Carnarvon, Ladbroke Hall, Notting Hill, 8
 1901 Selwyn, Montpelier, Choumont Rd., Peckham, 8
 2030 Abbey Westminster, King's Arms, S.W., 7:30
 R.A. 95 Eastern Star, Hercules Tavern, E.C.
 R.A. 820 Lily of Richmond, Greyhound, Richmond, 8
 R.A. 890 Hornsey, Porchester, Cleveland Sq., W.
 R.A. 1275 Star, Stirling Castle, Camberwell, 8
 1744 Royal Savoy, Blue Posts, Charlotte Street, 8
 1950 Southgate, Railway Hot, New Southgate, 7:30
 1996 Priory, Constitutional Club, Acton
 R.A. 753 Prince Frederick William Lord's Hotel, St. John's Wood, 8
 R.A. 1471 North London, Northampton House, Canonbury, 8

Saturday, 11th April.

87 Vitruvian, Duke of Albany, St. Catherine's Park, near Nunhead Junction, 7:30
 179 Manchester, 8 Tottenham Court Road, W.C., 8
 198 Percy, Jolly Farmers', Southgate Road, N., 8
 1275 Star, Dover Castle, Deptford Causeway, S.E., 8
 1288 Finsbury Park, Cock Tavern, Highbury, 8
 1364 Earl of Zetland, Royal Edward, Hackney, 7
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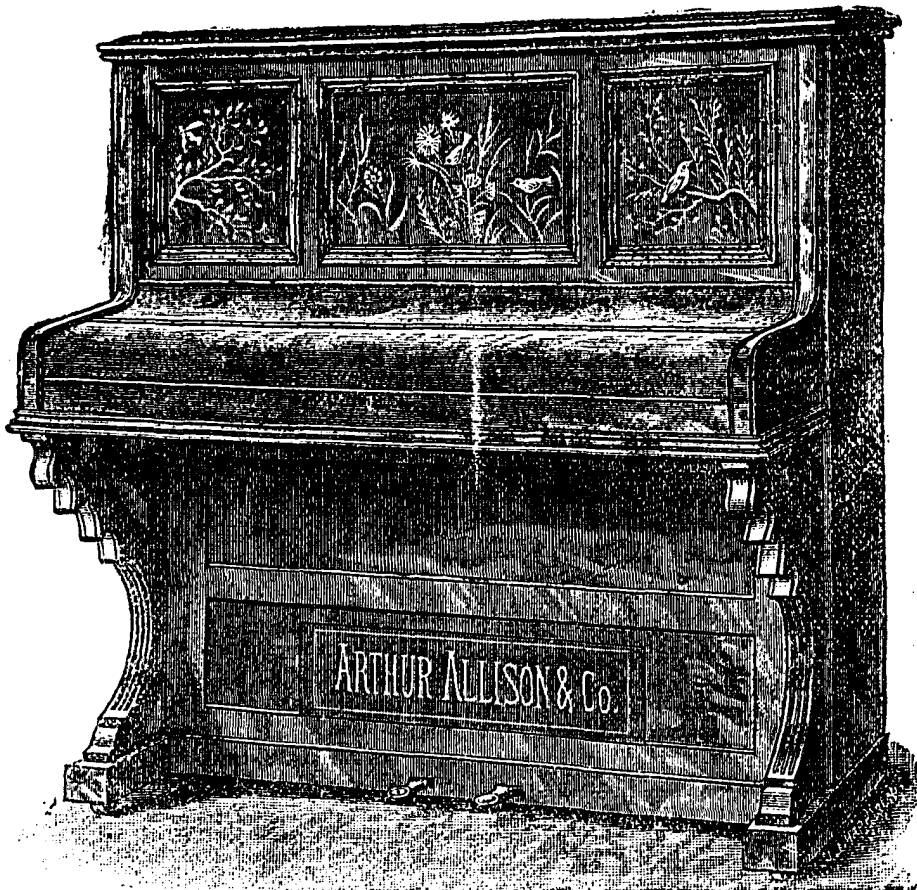
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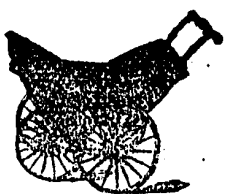


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